1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
4.	Daman and Diu	2	1	50	0	0	1	50
5.	Lakshadweep	9	0	0	0	0	3	33
6.	Pondicherry	4	1	25	0	0	0	0
	Total UTs	18	2	11	0	0	4	22
	Grand Total	5723	839	15	226	4	550	10

Criteria for Categorization

Over-Exploited : Stage of Ground water development ->100%, Significant decline in long term water level trend in either pre-monsoon or post-monsoon period or both.

Critical : Stage of Ground Water Development ->90% and <=100%, Significant decline in long term water level trend in both pre-monsoon and post-monsoon period

Semi-Critical : Stage of Ground Water Development ->70% and <=100%, Significant decline in long term water level trend in either pre-monsoon or post-monsoon period

Embankment of Kosi river in Nepal

464. SHRI D. RAJA:
SHRI R.C. SINGH:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the flood that wrecked havoc in North-Eastern Bihar was caused by the breach in the embankment of Kosi river in Nepal;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Central Government failed to read the alarm bells and to persuade Nepalese Government to at least allow proper maintenance of the barrage which had outlived its age;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(d) what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Repair and maintenance of the afflux bund of Kosi Barrage is being carried out by the Government of Bihar and Government of Bihar informed Ministry of External Affairs about the problem faced in protection work being carried out, only on 17th August, 2008 just a day before the breach.

(d) Government of Nepal has been approached and Government of Nepal has provided necessary assistance in the works of breach closure. The work of breach closure is in progress on the advice of Kosi Breach Closure Advisory Team (KBCAT) constituted by the Government of Bihar.